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Military Information from the Rehagen-Klausdorf-Sperenberg Area

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REMARKS

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25X1 1. Beginning at 7 a.m. on 28 April 1953, an AAA unit from Rehagen was being entrained in the barracks installation on Schumke Lake in Sperenberg. A total of 30 boxcars was loaded with billeting equipment, pictures and banners with slogans, which had been shipped there by trucks.

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the shipment was dispatched to Erkner. At 5 a.m. on 29 April, 25 trucks, including 13 towing 76.2-mm AA guns; 3 field kitchens and 3 radio trucks left the Eisenbahnpionier Kaserne in Rehagen-Klausdorf, proceeding through Sperenberg toward Baruth. The motor vehicles were occupied to capacity by officers and EM. the billeting equipment entrained on the preceding day belonged to this unit. On 30 April, the parking lots in the installation were vacant and only guard personnel was observed. the AAA emplacement on Busenberg, 500 meters east of the Rehagen railroad station, was unoccupied. the emplacement previously had been occupied by the AAA unit which left on 28 and 29 April.<sup>1</sup> In the afternoon on 3 May, an engineer unit was entrained in the barracks installation on Schumke Lake. At 9 p.m., the train, which consisted of 19 flatcars with sideracks carrying trucks with one pontoon each; 5 flatcars with sideracks carrying logs; 7 boxcars loaded with bridge building equipment; and 16 boxcars occupied by officers and EM and carrying billeting equipment, left the Sperenberg railroad station toward Justerbog. the shipment was bound for Coswig on the Elbe River. At 7 a.m. on 4 May, a train of 4 RRY-type flatcars with logs; 4 flatcars with sideracks, each carrying 1 truck and 2 motorcycles; and 25 boxcars, occupied by officers and EM and carrying billeting equipment, was seen on the spur track of the barracks installation on Schumke Lake. At 2 p.m., a shipment of 12 trucks

machinery, engines, billeting equipment, and 4 motorboats which had come from the barracks installation on Schumke Lake, was assembled at the Sperenberg railroad station and left at 0645 a.m. on the following day for Coswig. On 6 May, not more than about 30 soldiers were observed in the barracks installation on Schumke Lake.<sup>2</sup> During the night of 6 May, two or three columns entered the barracks installation on Schumke Lake. They included 10 trucks with trailers loaded with equipment almost beyond capacity. At about 4 a.m. on 7 May, a shipment of boxcars was shunted into the installation and was unloaded. this shipment had come from Wildpark. Soldiers detrained wore black epaulets. Allegedly, more shipments were scheduled to arrive.

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- 25X1 [ ] 2. On 7 May, the Artillerie Kaserne at the Kammersdorf firing range was occupied by about 2,500 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery or tank insignia; and an undetermined number of troops who wore red epaulets. At about 9 a.m. on 29 April, more than 200 trucks [ ] 25X1 [ ] each occupied by 6 or 7 soldiers, arrived from the direction of Luckenwalde. 25X1
- [ ] On 30 April, about 200 troops with red epaulets engaged in the construction of field fortifications in the south section of Jagen (Forest section) No 66. [ ]

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3. At 7 a.m. on 7 May, two truck columns, with a total of about 30 trucks and about 36 tank trucks with trailers, were seen entering the barracks installation on Schunke Lake. Some of the vehicles were loaded with timber. The vehicles [ ] were occupied by a total of 120 troops. 3

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- 25X1 [ ] 4. On 15 May, the Artillerie Kaserne at the Kammersdorf firing range was occupied by at least 3,000 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank insignia; and at least 200 to 300 motor vehicles, including 15 to 20 van-like trucks and 4 crane trucks. [ ]
- 25X1 [ ] On 15 May, the Eisenbahnpionier Kaserne in Klausdorf was occupied by about 2,000 to 2,500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Five guns, 60 to 70 trucks, 5 radio trucks and a Type-N microwave radio set were seen in the installation. About 50 soldiers received instruction on the microwave radio set and others received telephone training. [ ]

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- 25X1 1. [ ] Comment. [ ] the unit, which apparently had been entrained with its entire equipment, belongs to the 2d Gds AAA Div of the GOFG. [ ]
- 25X1 [ ] on 29/30 April a shipment of more than 40 boxcars went from Spandenberg to Erkner [ ]
- 25X1 [ ] There is reason to believe that elements of the 2d Gds AAA Div were transferred to the newly constructed barracks installations in Buedersdorf-Kalkberge, northwest of Erkner, where a headquarters building had also been prepared in the Redentunnel. [ ]
- 25X1 [ ] it is believed that at least one regiment had been transferred. [ ]

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- 25X1 2. [ ] Comment. The transfer to the engineer training site Coswig west of Wittenberg of the 35th Engr Regt (US) of the Third Gds Mech Army was repeatedly confirmed.
- 25X1 3. [ ] Comment. The information indicates that presumably a signal unit of the GOFG, previously stationed in the Golm Kaserne, Potsdam, had been transferred to the barracks installation on Schunke Lake which, except for a rear detail, had been vacated by the 35th Engr Regt (US).

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4. [redacted] Comment. The Artillerie Kaserne in Kammersdorf had been vacated by the 62 AAA Div (US) of the Third Gds Mecc Army by late April. The unit had been transferred to Kochstedt. [redacted]  
The present occupation of the Artillerie Kaserne presumably includes the 56th Motor Trans Regt, previously stationed in the barracks installation in Potsdam-Wildpark; a repair shop of the GORC, previously stationed in the Golm Kaserne, Potsdam; and [redacted]  
[redacted] possibly elements of the 2d Gds AAA Div.

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